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NYPD chronicles

Suspect shot **Queens** man over woman, police say

A murder suspect shot a Queens man after the pair argued over a woman Sunday, police said.

Anton Harden, 34, was arrested and

charged with murder and criminal possession of a firearm after police said he fatally shot 27-year-old Cory Dixon in Čorona.

Police found Dixon with a single gunshot wound to the torso in front of Harden's home in LeFrak City just before 3 a.m.

ANNA SANDERS

Jackpot

Poll: City voters support adding casinos upstate

The majority of New York City voters say they support adding new casinos upstate, a new poll shows.

When asked if they would vote to approve the amendment that



would authorize up to seven casinos, 60 percent of likely voters said they would vote yes.

According to The New York Times/Siena College Poll, most voters said they believe the new casinos would bring "significant new revenue for state and local governments."

Future becomes focus on anniversary of Sandy

Looking ahead.

City officials spent the one-year anniversary of superstorm Sandy's landfall touring resiliency projects.

The tide swelled and tensed, eventually flooding Crescent Beach and destroying parts of the surrounding neighborhood on Staten Island's eastern shore as superstorm Sandy made landfall.

A year later, Mayor Michael Bloomberg trudged through sand yesterday while touring a dune fortification project on the beach meant to protect against such storm surges.

The city's Parks Department is building a 10-foottall, 2,000-foot-long berm on the beach using some



"If another storm like Sandy ever approaches our shores, it will be a far different city than the one that Sandy left behind."

15,000 tons of sand, eventually reinforcing the natural barrier with dune grass.

The berm is part of 59 resiliency milestones the city will finish before Bloomberg leaves office in January. Officials said the city completed 73 percent of those short-term milestones, just a fraction of the 257 climate change resiliency initiatives proposed in June.

Deputy Mayor Cas Holloway acknowledged many families and businesses have more recovery work to do after the storm.

"And we are right there doing it with them," he

ANNA **SANDERS**

Big projects

During yesterday's three-borough tour, officials discussed details of resiliency projects meant to help protect the city against climate change

Over 1.2 million cubic yards of sand have been placed on beaches in the last year as part of dune fortification projects like the one on Crescent Beach.

The city began repairing a bulkhead along Beach Channel Drive in the Rockaways before Sandy, but their plans now include a tidal gate.

Officials also proposed installing a barrier and levee, near Coney Island Creek.

Extra precautions added for race



In the wake of the Boston Marathon bombings, Mayor Michael Bloomberg said officials will take extra safety precautions for the ING NYC Marathon this Sunday.

The mayor said yesterday that the city will go into the marathon with two assumptions, the first being that "nothing bad will happen" during the 26.2-mile race from Staten Island to Central Park.

"And, number two,

"We've had an awful lot of security out there in every one of the years that I've been following the marathon."

Mayor Bloomberg

that we're ready if, God forbid, something does. We're taking every possible step to prevent it,"

He urged New Yorkers to call 911 or 311 if they see any suspicious or strange activity.

Bloomberg said the city was "not unmindful" of the Boston bombings, but said he was confident the race would go off without a hitch.

"I'm optimistic that this is going to be a great marathon," he said. ANNA SANDERS

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City wants court to delay reforms of stop-and-frisk

Slow down. The city yesterday argued that changes to its controversial policy should go on hold.

The city's motion to delay the stop-and-frisk reforms mandated by a federal judge was heard for the first time yesterday by judges from the Second Circuit Court of Appeals.

The federal judge's ruling established a monitor over the NYPD as well as several specific measures, such as a pilot program equipping officers from five precincts with body cameras. The case was brought by the Center for Constitutional Rights.

One judge was particularly bothered by the amount of time the city had taken in bringing the motion to delay. Judge Jose Cabranes said the city

Reform in motion

All three judges seemed to suggest that if the case were so important that New York City Police Commissioner Ray Kelly wouldn't have allowed the city's law department to take so long in reacting to the federal ruling.

- · The federal stop-and-frisk monitor, facilitator and an academic panel have already been appointed to oversee the reforms.
- Meetings between them and the city are already taking place.

Active bench

"The judges had a lot of questions for everybody."

Darius Charney, Center for Constitutional Rights attorney

was four to six weeks late in doing so, and asked if they were planning a "rope-a-dope" attack like Muhammad Ali, feigning lethargy "before springing to life."

The "glacial pace" at which the city approached this motion, he said, called into question their insistence that the remedies posed an immediate and irreparable harm to the NYPD.

"A reasonable server, in reviewing the record, could think the city government has been speaking out of two sides of its mouth," Cabranes suggested.

City attorney Celeste Koeleveld made a brief statement reiterating the city's position and declined to take questions.





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MTA. Muslim boy thrown off city bus, court docs allege

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority is facing a lawsuit from a Muslim Arab-American boy who says he was kicked off a city bus, about a year ago, by a driver who called him a terrorist.

The boy's name is being withheld due to his age. The lawyer representing him, Hyder A. Naqvi, said the family declined to speak publicly.

The boy was 10 years old at the time, and was on his way home from school, Naqvi said. He was boarding a city bus in Brooklyn and couldn't find his MetroCard. Fumbling around in his pockets, he murmured

a prayer in Arabic that is said when looking for lost things, Naqvi said.

That's when the bus driver lost it, Naqvi said. He screamed at the boy, calling him a terrorist and ordered him to get off the

The boy went home "obviously upset," Naqvi said. He filed a complaint with the MTA.

Naqvi said MTA officials promised they would conduct an investigation, but never gave the boy's family any information about the results of the investigation.

The MTA declined to comment on the lawsuit. DANIELLE TCHOLAKIAN

The sting of discrimination

"He was old enough at the time to know what discrimination was, and he now unfortunately knows what it feels like."

Hvder A. Nagvi

Sandy evacuee still homeless after storm

Dignity. Evens Altindor is one of hundreds of Sandy victims that still don't have a home.

In one storm, Evens Altindor lost a home, a car and a job. One year ago, when superstorm Sandy hit, Altindor was renting an apartment in Coney Island with his wife and two sons. The storm destroyed his possessions and left his family homeless. The hurricane also wrecked his car, and it wasn't long before he lost his job.

For many months, FEMA placed the Altindors in the Park Central Hotel in Manhattan. In the meantime, Altindor looked for a job.

On Oct. 4, Altindor and his family were among



Living in a shelter

"I've never been to jail before, but I feel like I'm in jail now." Altindor

hundreds of Sandy victims to get kicked out of hotels. The city evicted hurricane evacuees after FEMA's hotel reimbursement program expired.

After a few days, Altindor moved his family to a shelter. "I didn't want to go there," he said.

Altindor, his wife and two children have been

sleeping on bunk beds at the Bridge Haven Family Transitional Residence.

"It makes you feel like you're not a human," he said.

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Investigation

Man found shot in Bronx basement stairwell

Police are investigating after a man was shot dead and found in the basement stairwell of a Bronx home early yesterday morning.

Cops responded to a call about shots being fired at the home on East 221st Street near Carpenter Avenue shortly after 1 a.m.

The victim, 44, was found with a gunshot wound to his head lying in the basement stairwell of the house, police said.

The man was pronounced dead at the scene.

No arrests have been made and the investigation is

ongoing.
Police have not yet released details of the man's identity.

LAURA SHIN

Staten Island

Goosewatch **NYC** reports turkey deaths

watchgroup Goosewatch NYC says USDA agents rounded up Staten Island turkeys on Oct. 26 and carted them off to be killed.

Goosewatch members reportedly watched the agents catch the turkeys with big nets, pack them into crates on a pick-up truck and take them to Kroll Farms in New

The group posted photos on its Facebook page. It spoke out when about 90 turkeys were time, the director of the Humane Society's New York chapter negotiated the release of 28 turkeys to Catskill Animal Sanctuary.

turkeys to be revoked.

The animal rights

Windsor, N.Y.

killed in August. At that

The group said they want the USDA's permit to remove the DANIELLE TCHOLAKIAN

Mayor warns horses could be slaughtered

End of rides. The horses could die if carriages are banned as both mayoral candidates would like. Bloomberg said.

Mayor Michael Bloomberg said he assumes all the animals will die if horse-drawn carriages are banned.

"If you do that, yeah, I assume all the horses will go to slaughter," Bloomberg said yesterday.

Even if funds are raised to care for the animals at sanctuaries, the mayor said they will only take up space and cause other horses to die.

Both Democratic candidate Bill de Blasio and Re-



publican Joe Lhota support a bill banning the horsedrawn carriages.

"Mayor Bloomberg is fearmongering and being completely disingenuous in suggesting that there would be any slaughter of horses associated with the ending of the abusive horse carriage industry," said Allie Feldman of NYCLASS, an anti-carriage group.

Bloomberg said people seem to enjoy" the carriages, but he said he's only been on one or two rides himself.

Horse power

No abuse

Banning the practice will hurt hardworking horses and carriage drivers, the mayor said.

These horses work, like you, like me. There's a few hundred people that work in this industry who support their families based on it," Bloomberg said.

The horses can't work more than nine hours at a time or in temperatures over 90 degrees. They must be covered with blankets in the winter and be given vacations.

"I don't think the horses are abused,' the mayor said.

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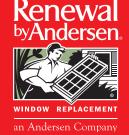
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Obama orders limits to spying on United Nations headquarters

Walls with ears.

Foreign officials are crying foul after the revelation that the U.S. is listening in.

President Barack Obama recently ordered the National Security Agency to curtail eavesdropping on the United Nations head-quarters in New York as part of a review of U.S. electronic surveillance, according to an official familiar with the decision.

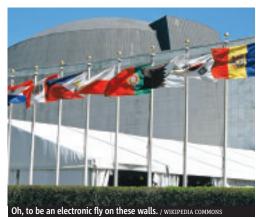
Obama's order is the latest known move by the White House to limit the NSA's vast intelligence collection, in the wake of protests by allies, includ-

ing German Chancellor Angela Merkel, over U.S. spying on foreign heads of state.

The full extent of eavesdropping on the U.N. is not publicly known, nor is it clear whether the U.S. has stopped all monitoring of diplomats assigned to the U.N. in New York or elsewhere around the world.

"The United States is not conducting electronic surveillance targeting the United Nations headquarters in New York," said a senior Obama administration official.

The official did not address past surveillance of the world body. Such programs are highly classified, although some details have been leaked by



former NSA contractor Edward Snowden.

According to the first official, the president's aides have said in briefings that the White House

no longer wanted to conduct certain monitoring of U.N. targets. The official said that the decision was made within the last few weeks. REUTERS

Long history

Does spying really faze Germany's Angela Merkel?

When Angela Merkel was growing up in communist East Germany, she recalls her parents getting nervous whenever she talked for too long on the phone. "Hang up! The Stasi is listening and it's all being recorded," warned her mother, according to one biography.

But somewhere along the line between her childhood behind the Iron Curtain and becoming chancellor of a united Germany, Merkel apparently lost her fear of eavesdropping.

She called Barack Obama last week to demand clarification of reports that the NSA had monitored her mobile phone. But the protests ring hollow to those who have warned about omniscient U.S.

eavesdropping.
Critics say Merkel is either naive or feigning surprise for her domestic audience.

"Frau Merkel has been listened to since she was a teenager," said Frederick Forsyth, the thriller writer and former Reuters correspondent in East Berlin. "The only thing that amazes me about the furor is that it amazes people."

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"Anyone who's been aware of what's been going on the last 30 years would presume all electronic communications are being listened to by someone."





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Medicare admin apologizes for healthcare.gov glitches

Health care snafu.

Obamacare official blames portal's woes on contractors and high traffic.

The head of the U.S. agency responsible for the troubled new government-run health care website apologized for the difficulty people are having in obtaining insurance.

Marilyn Tavenner, administrator of the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, said the website faces "complex technical issues" four weeks after it opened for enrollment.

"We know that consumers are eager to purchase this coverage. And



to the millions of Americans who have attempted to use HealthCare. gov to shop and enroll in health care coverage, I want to apologize to you that the website has not worked as well as it should," Tavenner told a congressional hearing.

Tavenner's testimony to the U.S. House of Representatives Ways & Means Committee is the Obama administration's first formal statement Fight deepens

'Obamacare' contractor subpoenaed

The chairman of the U.S. House of Representatives Oversight and Government Reform Committee yesterday subpoenaed an Obamacare contractor, Quality Software Services Inc., for documents related to the federal government's troubled

to Congress about the challenges facing Health-Care.gov. Tavenner's boss, U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius, is scheduled to testify before another House overhealth care law website, HealthCare.gov.

Rep. Darrell Issa, a Republican, said in a statement that the UnitedHealth Group unit had failed to meet an initial Oct. 25 deadline for turning over documents on topics from government funding to communications with the Obama administration and the White House.

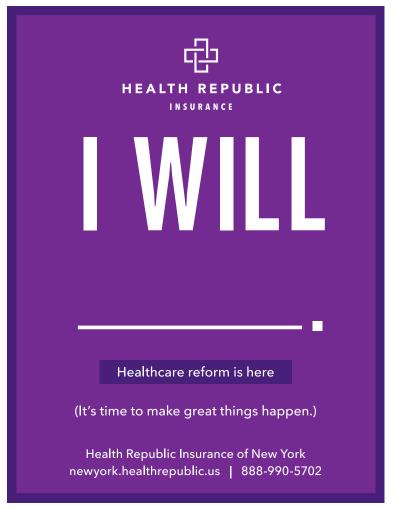
sight panel today. She faces Republican calls for her resignation

The website is lynchpin of President Barack Obama's program to provide health care coverage to millions

of uninsured Americans under the 2010 Affordable Care Act, commonly called Obamacare. Republicans have seized on the website's technical glitches as evidence of broader problems with the law and renewed their call for a delay in the federal mandate that most Americans obtain insurance for 2014 or pay a penalty.

At yesterday's hear-ing, written testimony submitted by Tavenner, a nurse and former hospital company executive, was at odds with sworn testimony from two contractors told the House Energy and Commerce Committee last week that bears ultimate responsibility for the website's performance.





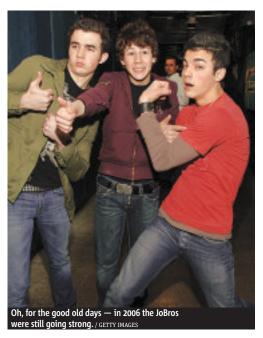


We check in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Today, Judd Apatow remembers a hero and Pink isn't looking for advice.

@JuddApatow: I love that a lot of people are listening to Lou Reed today and it is blowing theirs minds. Remember music? Remember when it did that?

@Pink: If any of u have more experience on a bike than my husband, then I will listen to your opinions on how he should take my daughter for a ride. I can't promise I will care, but I will listen none the less.



Jonas Brothers officially announce break-up

Goodbye, Jonas Brothers. Hello, individual, lowercase Jonas brothers.

The Jonas Brothers announced today that the band has broken up.

"It's over for now," Kevin told People. "It's really hard to

"It's really hard to say 'forever," said Nick. "We're closing a chapter, for sure."

Joe added that it was a unanimous decision for the three brothers.

The announcement came as no surprise, even to people who were aware

that the Jonas Brothers were still a thing. The writing's been on the wall for weeks: Earlier this month, the official Jonas Brothers Twitter account was taken offline, which is basically the equivalent of a death knell in this day and age.

And everyone should take heart. You know in 10 years they'll team up with One Direction for a hugely successful reunion tour. The end is never the end when there is money to be made from middle-aged reunion tours. MELINDA TAUB

THE WORD

Dorothy Robinson takes on the world of gossip.

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Talking point

She ain't racist, she's my sister

"Dancing with the Stars" regular Derek Hough is sticking up for his younger sister, Julianne Hough, after her eyebrowraising decision to don blackface for Halloween, saying she is "mortified" at the backlash. "She's so apologetic," he tells E! News. "She is just beside herself. Obviously it wasn't her brightest moment in her life, but hopefully we can move on."

The Smiths: Not so jiggy with it

Rumors of marital trouble for Will Smith and Jada Pinkett Smith are cropping up again, with sources telling Radar Online that the stars are living separate lives and haven't appeared in public together since August. Smith has been in New Orleans for work since mid-September and is expected to be there through next month, while Pinkett Smith has reportedly moved out of the fam-

ily's home and is living with her brother, Caleb, in Calabasas, Calif. Pinkett Smith seemed to be venting a bit at a recent charity event in Baltimore, telling the audience, "When you are going through a storm with your spouse ... stop thinking about what you 'believe' a husband or wife should be," according to an attendee. "I thought success would make me happy. It does not." When asked about the rumored trouble, Will's mother, Carolyn Smith, told the









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The actress talks "Last Vegas" and becoming a songwriter.

SHE WRITES THE SONGS

"Last Vegas" stars Michael Douglas, Robert De Niro, Morgan Freeman and Kevin Kline. If that weren't enough Oscar winners for a light comedy, there's a fifth: Mary Steenburgen, who plays a lounge singer who catches the eyes of the characters played by Douglas and De Niro. Steenburgen has, like her character, found herself drawn to music in her middle age: Since 2007, she's also a songwriter, who wrote a tune her character performs in the movie.

It seems like everyone was just having a good

Vegas thrills

What was it like riding the Stratosphere?

It was hideous. To act like I liked it was the hardest acting in the movie. Michael and I both hated it. They took us up the day before, supposedly to show us what it was so we wouldn't be afraid. Well, it backfired, because I stayed up all night petrified that I had to go back up there. Hated it.

time, with some work slipped in.

I think a lot of it is just the pleasure of a great job at this age and not worrying about what's coming next, who's got bigger billing — all the crap people worry about when you're younger. We just savored and sat around telling stories about our early days in New York, theater stories, talking about our

By now, you're probably not exactly intimidated by working with actors. But were you a bit scared with Robert De Niro? Was I slightly awed by

him? Yes. Did I feel like I was about 16? Yes. But he recognizes the truth, which is that comedy is more difficult than drama. One of the main reasons I fell in love with my husband (Ted Danson) is how graceful he made it look as an actor. You can't be taught funny. Years ago, when [De Niro] did "Analyze This," I saw him catch the fever.

Your character becomes interested in music later

I had a parallel to that in my life. Seven years ago I started writing music. I stared down being a

and started all over at something I really never imagined I'd do.

And you sing in this movie.

Throughout the writing of music, I never really sang. The actual singing was way scarier than acting with all four "legends." Well, they are legends, but people keep reminding me

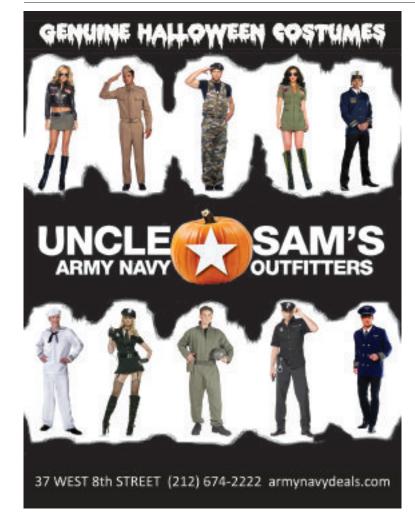
busy being scared of the singing. I worked really hard with a vocal coach, and kept falling flat on my face. Eventually I got better, then finally I think I did OK. You should scare yourself in life.



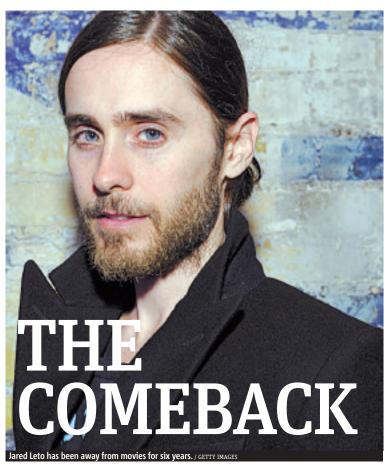
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beginner and being bad, [laughs] that I should have been scared. I was way too









Interview. Jared Leto talks about being wooed back to films for "Dallas Buyers Club."

A thriving career as a rock star is a pretty valid reason to stop making movies, so Jared Leto understands why people stopped sending him screenplays. ing him screenplays. "Yeah, they got the point after a while," he says. "But what a weird thing to do. I'm not so sure many people do that by choice not work for that long.'

What finally brought him back was "Dallas Buyers Club" — more specifically Rayon, the character he could play in it: a slinky sarcastic transgendered HIV patient in 1980s Texas who teams with Ron Woodroof (Matthew McConaughey) to access better AIDS-fighting drugs not yet available in the U.S.

"I got seduced by Rayon, you know? I thought, what a steep climb that would be," Leto says. "It's a composite, it's not based on a real person — but I think that she ended up being a real person. I think that character has been represented in film so many times in a way that's stereotypical, and I was intent on not putting a cliche up on screen. I think that's one of the opportunities that I saw when I read the script. I said, 'Oh, I could do this in a way that has some dignity and grace, and there's a real person there."

While McConaughey's staggering weight loss for the role has been welldocumented, Leto was no slouch either. "I lost over 30 pounds and then I stopped counting, because it didn't matter," he says. Really the weight for me is about how it affects me on the inside. It changes everything about you. It changes how you walk, how you talk, how you laugh, how you breathe, your choices in a scene. You may lean up against somebody as you're talking because you've got no energy. It's a transformative thing.'

With plenty of awards season speculation around his performance, Leto's return to film is turning out to be a fairly time-consuming one. But will audiences



have to wait another six years for another? "I don't know," he offers with a shy smile. "I haven't really thought about it.'

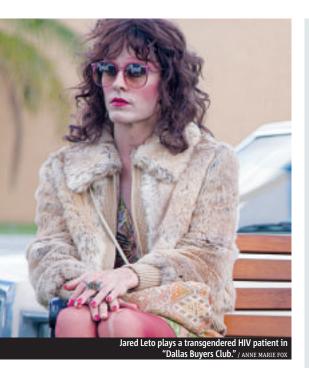








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Leto, on playing Rayon in "Dallas Buyers Club"

TV watch list

CLASSIC HORROR

'Halloween'

There have been so many incarnations of this movie that it's hard to keep track. From the cheeseball late '80s reduxes to Rob Zombie's gore fests, each new Michael Myers flick has brought something different to the franchise. But the original will forever remain the touchstone for horror, 8 P.M., AMC

SCARY MOVIE

'Texas Chainsaw Massacre'

In terms of scariest horror movie psychos, Leatherface gives Michael a run for his money. This isn't the original, it's the 2003 remake, but it makes up for its lack of originality with plenty of gore. 8 P.M., IFC ALEXANDRA CAVALLO

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Iconic. Gaultier visits the Brooklyn Museum

Last weekend, Brooklyn Museum debuted "The Fashion World of Jean Paul Gaultier: From the Sidewalk to the Catwalk," which exhibits and extrapolates upon the famous designer's aesthetic, his history and some of the most notorious pieces from his 37-year career.

Characterized by an emphasis on sub- and subversive-culture, Gaultier's works (such as Madonna's iconic cone bra) are typically controversial and play against known concepts of identity.

The display has six chapters: The Odyssey of Jean Paul Gaultier, The Boudoir, Skin Deep, Punk Cancan, Urban Jungle and Metropolis.

Originally from Montreal, the show has traveled worldwide for two years before arriving in NYC, where it will be through February 2014. Visit www.brooklyn museum.org to learn more. T. MICHELLE MURPHY





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'Hyperbole and a Half' is now available for shelves

Interview. We spoke to blogger Allie Brosh on the eve of her book premiere.

Allie Brosh is the creator of the tremendously popular comic blog Hyperbole and a Half. And now she's also the author of a book by the same name, subtitled: "unfortunate situations, flawed coping mechanisms, mayhem, and other things that happened."

Why write a book?

When I was a kid, I would write these epic monstrosities — I think I filled three spiral-bound notebooks with this story about a guy who would fight different things. That was his entire life, just fighting things and going on an adventure where he would inevitably find more things to fight. So I've always enjoyed writing.

Were you sure your art would translate to print?

A physical page gave me some fun things to play around with as far as comedic timing goes, Read our full interview with Allie Brosh on Metro.us.
SARAH HENDERSON

because you can conceal more information from the reader that way. You know, if you want to make sure someone doesn't scroll down and see the picture before they're meant to, you just put it on the next page.

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What comes easier, drawing or writing?

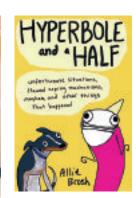
Oh, gosh. I would say that

I enjoy the art more. The writing is very enjoyable when I'm brainstorming or when I feel like I'm really in the zone. ... But with drawing, I can put on music and draw.

Will you feel obligated to post more frequently on the blog after this?

I'll make more people happy as long as I keep the quality of my work up, rather than trying to be unreasonable and post more often than I'm able to churn out good content.

You recently wrote two posts about depression. Do you think you'll continue to touch upon more serious topics? Serious topics are one of



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the best places for humor, because it makes them a little bit more accessible and easier to talk about — especially when you're dealing with something that's very scary and real for people, like depression. So I do think that I would like to continue writing more serious subjects with a bit of levity.

You write yourself as an introvert as well. How do you do a book tour?

I'm well socialized. And I like people! I couldn't do this every day, for the rest of my life, but ... I do enjoy meeting my readers.







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Least expensive

\$189K

The least expensive unit to hit the market this week is a co-op located at 100 W. 141st St. Marketed by Corcoran, this two-bed, one-bath apartment includes a dining room and office, and it features hardwood floors and oversized bay windows.

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Gisele and Tom Brady pay \$14M for One Madison apartment

Supermodel Gisele Bundchen and her New England Patriots quarterback hubby Tom Brady have bought a \$14 million nest in the Related Companies and HFZ Capital's One Madison (formerly One Madison Park). The couple are in contract for a three-bedroom, full-floor condominium on the 47th floor of the East 22nd Street tower, the New York Post reported. The listing touts a stunning view up Madison Avenue, the paper said. THE REAL DEAL

Cobble Hill townhome to hit the market at \$16M

Real estate. This property would snag the spot for the most expensive in the borough.

A couple of Park Slope townhouse listings are battling to set a new record price for a Brooklyn single-family home and now, a new listing in Cobble Hill totaling more than 10,000 square feet is slated to get in on the action.

The property, at 177 Pacific St. between Court and Clinton streets, is set to come on the market for around \$16 million. That's \$4 million more than the current Brooklyn record, which was set by a Brooklyn Heights property at 70 Willow St. in 2012.

Douglas Elliman's Alexander Maroni and Bren Salamon, both of the firm's

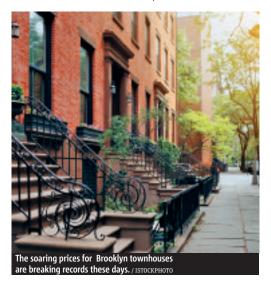
Carroll Gardens office have the listing.

"Getting 10,000 square feet in brownstone Brooklyn is virtually impossible," said Maroni. "On a price per square foot basis, [\$16 million] is high, but it's not unheard of. It should be a record breaker."

The four-story carriage house has four interior parking spots and amenities such as a 20-person movie theater, a gym, a wine cellar and a 2,600-square-foot roof garden, and an outdoor kitchen and elevator.

There are six bedrooms and nine bathrooms as well as a 60-foot atrium, according to the listing.

The home is owned by 177 Realty Corp., a company with an address in Staten Island. The company appears to have purchased the property for just \$1.5 million in 2011, records show, but Maroni said that figure was inaccurate. The



resident's identity was not clear, and Maroni declined to comment other than to say that the seller was New York-based and had spent close to \$5 million renovations. KATHERINE CLARKE

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A year after Sandy, lower NYC thrives

Report. The Downtown Alliance says recovery is going strong.

One year after Hurricane Sandy ravaged Lower Manhattan, the area has mostly recovered, or so claims a new report from local advocacy group the Downtown Alliance.

All sectors of the real estate market - office, residential and retail have been improving over the year, and have shown impressive gains in the last quarter, the report says.

In fact, the office leasing market appears stronger than before the storm. Average asking rent is up 16 percent year-over-year, the report shows. And since the storm, 51 tenants signed deals totaling over one million square feet to relocate to the neighborhood so far this year.

These deals include HarperCollins Publishers, which took 179,436 square feet at 195 Broadway, and Nyack College, which took 166,385 square feet at 17 Battery Place North.

On the residential front, sales volume is up 58 percent year-over-year, and 10 percent quarterover-quarter, the report shows. Moreover, Lower Manhattan properties are spending an average of 87 days on the market - selling twice as fast as they did one year ago.

The average rental price, \$3,968, remained stable year-over-year, acHere's a shot of the Hugh L. Carey Tunnel after it was flooded by Hurricane Sandy last October, and an image today.

cording to the Downtown Alliance.

On the retail front, 66 businesses remain shuttered since the storm, but several of these businesses have either had their leases taken over by new tenants or will soon, the report says.

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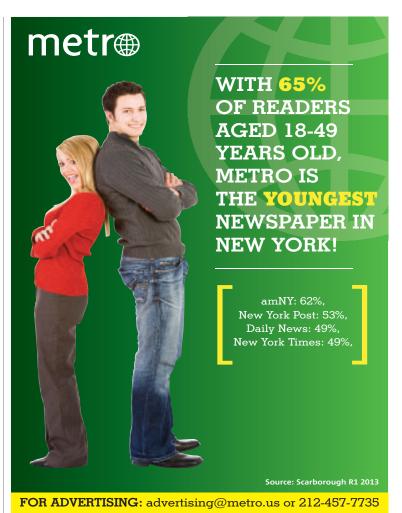
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plants, including the famous nasturtiums, in the museum's Hingham nursery. He transports dozens chrysanthemums to Boston to decorate the museum's Italianate courtyard each fall.

Chrysanthemums, which originated in Asia, are another trophy plant that the great Victorian-era travelers like Isabella Stewart Gardner would have imported.

These are plants that she probably saw on her travels and would have wanted to bring home," says Kozak.

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Halloween. New apps help parents track trick-or-treaters



Parents worried about letting their children go trick-or-treating can download new free apps that track kids and send alerts when they venture outside designated safe

With the iPhone app Track n Treat, children send a time-limited link of their location via a phone number or email. This allows parents to track their whereabouts for the next four hours.

"Kids are out and about and their parents want to know where they are, so Halloween is a great use

of a temporary locationsharing technology," says Bryan Trussel, CEO of Glympse, which creates person-to-person location sharing technologies.

Another free app, Family GPS Tracker for iPhone and Android, not only lets parents see where their children are in real-time, but also sends alerts when a child strays outside of a set area.

Life360, a free app for iPhone and Android, lets family members view each others' location on a map and keep in touch via group messaging. REUTERS

VIDEO GAMES THAT GO FOR THE NARRATIVE

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Video games aren't exactly known for their stellar story-telling. Finally, the industry is trying to tell tales that are as good as the graphics and action. Here are two valiant attempts.

'Beyond: Two Souls'

System: PS3 Maker: Quantic Dream/ Sony

It wasn't so long ago that name actors wouldn't be caught dead near a video game. Now, games regularly employ, if not Oscar winners or at least Oscar nominees. In that spirit, "Beyond: Two Souls

boasts starring roles from Ellen Page and Willem Dafoe.

The "game" itself isn't the most fluid experience. However, great motion capture work, voice acting and a stellar script just about make up for the game's flaws. I liken it to watching a welldone HBO show in which you partially control the action.

'The Wolf Among Us: Episode 1'

System: PS3/360/PC Maker: Telltale Games

Last year, Telltale

managed to reinvent the "point and click" adventure genre with its stunning "Walking Dead" game. The developer has now taken to spreading that magic to Bill Willingham's "Fables." "The Wolf Among Us" may not have the social cachet of zombies, but it's every bit as good a video game.

You play the big bad wolf as he conducts a murder investigation in a fable-filled New York City. You spend your time searching for clues and making game-changing decisions. Also, the game has a potty-mouthed, cigarettesmoking member of the three little pigs. That's always cool.

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Eat like Meb

His diet

"You would think if I'm running 110, 120 miles a week I could eat anything and everything. That used to be the case, that's not the case anymore," Olympian and New York Marathon winner Meb Keflezighi says. "My metabolism has slowed down quite a bit." On his regular menus? Egg whites and — no gluten aversion here — wheat pasta and lots of brown rice. "My mom makes homemade bread and I have that before a race. That's my tradition." For dinners, Keflezighi usually sticks with chicken, shrimp or steak before a hard run the next day. He also eats "at least three fruits a day" to keep his weight in check.

Exercise like Meb

At the gym

Keflezighi bikes and swims. "The pool gets my whole body working," he says. Ón the floor, he's doing plyometrics, flexibility exercises and body weight moves like push-ups and squats. "I'm trying to strengthen the ligaments," he says. The runner spends about 45 minutes to an hour in the gym when he's there.



Live like Meb

A typical day during training

- Keflezighi wakes up around 7 a.m.
- He eats toast or a bagel, and possibly some hot tea, then stretches.
- First run of the day: Usually a 10-12 mile run in different parts of San Diego. Mission Bay/ Fiesta Island is one of his favorites.
- Within 15-30 minutes after an intense workout, Keflezighi has a Generation UCAN chocolate shake and PowerBar. He's trying to get as much protein as possible in this small window to help the muscles recover fast.
- Post-run extensive active stretching.

- 15-minute ice bath (in 55-degree water!). Keflezighi reads the Bible in the tub.
- Keflezighi drinks coconut milk to help warm up and puts layers of clothing on. Even after just 15 minutes in the cold bath, it takes hours for his core body temperature to reach normal again.
- First of Keflezighi's two big meals of the day (brunch and dinner). One of his favorites: The Lunch of Champions, which is a spinach salad with feta cheese, different flavors of KRAVE Jerky and dark berries.
- Second run or cross-training. Keflezighi's getting older and therefore doing

fewer second runs (there's less pounding).

- Two or three times a week, Keflezighi will get a massage. Some are deep tissue, others are ART (active release technique) the type of rubdown that is more rough and not very relaxing.
- Keflezighi hits the gym or does some core work at home for about 45 minutes. He comes home by 6 or 7 p.m. to read to his kids and say good night to them.
- Downtime: Keflezighi has an early dinner, does some reading, catches up on phone calls and emails, and watches the news and some sports highlights.

Practice like Meb

His training must-haves

- Intervals "You need to do some faster stuff," he says. "It makes you feel good. One minute on, three minutes off - you will become more efficient and you will become faster.'
- **2**Sony Walkman Yes, the Walkman is still around — it's gotten a major update since you probably last saw it, though. The newest version is just a thin, wireless piece of plastic that fits around the back of your S100. head. www.sony.com

Race like Meb

His marathon advice

Save your energy "New York is a course where you want negative splits. You are gonna have a pleasant memory if you can run your second half faster. Pick up every mile by 10, 5 seconds. When you lose [time], you start to lose 15 seconds, 20, 30, seconds, or it could be a minute in the last mile or mile and a half."

Don't overexert "The Queensboro Bridge is the 15-mile mark. You want to feel good, you want to feel comfortable. You shouldn't be struggling. Mile 23, that's a different story."

Remember your Straining "It's a lot of strategy. Once the gun goes off, 90 percent is mental."

When it gets rough, 4 find your inspiration "I pray, think positive, think about family, sponsors, coaches or children — whatever gets you going."

Be patient with yourself "Life is about patience, the marathon is about patience. Your goal should be to finish, and finish damn strong."



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"These can be anything under the sun that comes from nature, including beavers' anal

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Scary Halloween candy

Eek! Watch out for these five ingredients.

It's not just the costumes that are scary this Halloween. Candy can be full of frightening ingredients that may have health consequences — at least according to Vani Hari, food activist and blogger at FoodBabe.com. These ingredients are derived from anything ranging from beavers' anal secretions (yup) to wood pulp.

Hari says that instead of focusing on the nutri-tion facts, look closely at ingredient labels for the following red flags.

Trans fat

Don't be fooled if the packaging boasts zero grams. Hari says that if the candy has less than 0.5 grams of

fat" on the label. But even in small quantities, Hari says trans fat is harmful. 'Even a small amount of partially hydrogenated oil is linked to heart disease," she says. Watch out for any partially hydrogenated

trans fat, the company is

allowed to write "0 g trans

The ingredients in many of your favorite cand

are more trick than treat. / VSTOCK RF

oil; common culprits include soybean, corn and canola oils.

Food coloring

Yellow 5, Yellow 6, Blue 1, Blue 2 and Red 40 are all common ingredients in

candies like gummy bears, Twizzlers and Skittles. The Center for Science in the Public Interest released a study linking these additives to hyperactivity, cancer and allergies.

High fructose corn syrup

High fructose corn syrup is linked to childhood obesity, heart disease and diabetes.

Vanillin

Most mass chocolate producers, like Hershey's, are skipping real vanilla and are using an artificial ingredient called vanillin instead. Vanillin is made from wood pulp that is oxidized in a lab - and may be carcinogenic.

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Our natural candy picks



Unreal Candy Unreal makes its candy bars with less sugar, grass-fed dairy and all-natural colors.

Justin's Famous for its nut butters, the organic and fair trade brand also makes candy.

Endangered Species

These natural, Non-GMO Project-verified milk and dark chocolate squares are sweet and simple.

YumEarth Organics 4These were a staff favorite. We loved the powerful punch of the real pomegranate, strawberry, mango and peach

flavors and the chewy texture of the gummies.

Lovely Candy Co. Fruit **Chews** These fruit-flavored soft chews are made with brown rice syrup and

real fruit, but they also contain natural flavors – a Food Babe no-no. Nonetheless, Hari says they are much healthier than Starbursts: "You'll save yourself from GMOs and petroleumbased food dyes.

Alter Eco Truffles These sustainable chocolates are made with pure coconut oil instead of partially hydrogenated soybean oil.





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This week in health news

Smokers who want to quit choose **Mondays**

Location of study: U.S. Study subjects: Data study Results: Smokers around the world are more likely to consider quitting smoking on Mondays, according to a study published in the Journal of the American Medical Association, Internal Medicine. This joint study monitored Google searches in English, French, Chinese, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish over five years and found consistent data for each country. Significance: According to the study's lead author. San Diego State University's John W. Ayers, the findings could be used to direct the way health officials and clinicians approach smoking cessation. "Popular belief has been that the decision to quit smoking is unpredictable or even chaotic," Ayers says. "By taking a bird's-eye view of Google searches, however, we find anything but chaos. In-



stead, Google search data reveal interest in quitting is part of a larger collective pattern of behavior dependent on the day of the week." Adds co-author Morgan Johnson, Program & Research Director for The Monday Campaigns, "Public health can now leverage the benefits of Monday to improve health communication around quitting smoking."

HIV drug might help fight cancer

Location of study: U.S. Study subjects: Mice **Results:** A particular type of HIV medicine that stops AIDS from entering the body's immune system is looking promising as a cancer therapy, according to a study published in the Journal of Cancer Research. Researchers from the Thomas Jefferson University Kimmel Cancer Center using CCR5 inhibitors found a dramatic reduction in aggressive breast cancer cells that were spreading to the mice's lungs. The medicine, Vicriviroc, was discontinued as a treatment for HIV in 2010 following an unsuc-

cessful trial. Significance: Vicriviroc joins the list of drugs that may have a purpose originally unforeseen by researchers.

Stem cell study offers potential treatment strategy for Lou Gehrig's Disease

Location of study: U.S. Study subjects: Laboratory study of skin cells **Results:** Researchers using a stem cell technique to create neurons in a lab dish from skin scrapings of patients with Lou Gehrig's disease found that molecules made of small stretches of genetic material blocked the effects of a defective gene thought to cause a specific form of the disease. This might offer a potential treatment. The study was published in Science Translational Medicine.

Significance: Lou Gehrig's disease, or ALS, is a fatal disorder that attacks muscle-controlling nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord, and affects 30,000 to 50,000 people in the U.S., according to the researcher's notes. LINDA CLARKE

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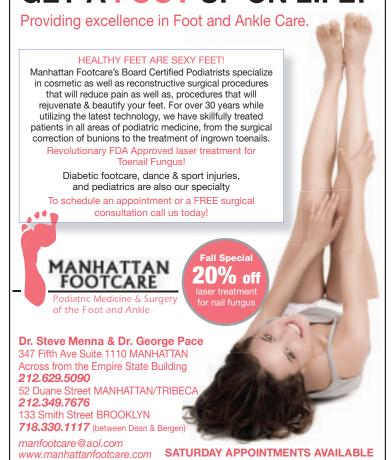
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Explaining the Affordable Care Act

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Hospital woes in the Affordable Care Act

While the Affordable Care Act offers more Americans access to health insurance, one little-known secret about the plans offered through the Exchanges is that some insurers are limiting the number of doctors and hospitals that are covered. Why? Insurance companies say that smaller networks helps assure that patients go to less expensive providers that still provide high-quality care. The real reason: Narrowing choice simply makes it easier for insurers to control premium costs.

You shouldn't automatically avoid health plans with narrow networks, but you do need to do your homework to make sure that the innetwork hospitals you will have access to are those that deliver high quality care.

Here's why it matters: The unfortunate reality is that hospital



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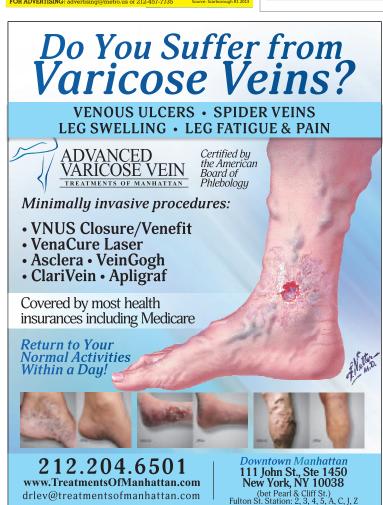
quality differs wildly within the same community, and the hospital closest to you is not necessarily where you are likely to get the best care. For example, a recent Healthgrades' 2014 report shows that the out of 96 hospitals performing total knee replacement surgery in the New York/New Jersey region, complication rates ranged from

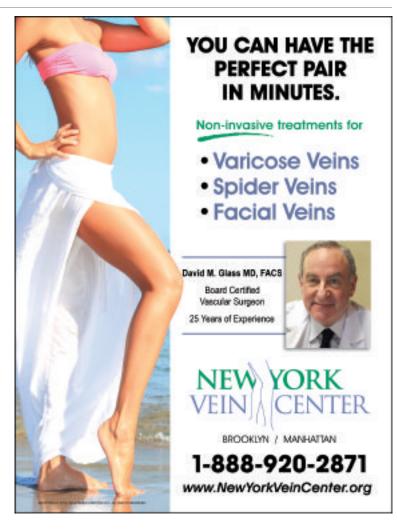
1.8 percent to 32.3 percent — that's an 18,000 percent difference! If you are selecting a health plan on the Exchange and anticipating needing knee surgery, you probably want to be sure that the hospitals with the best outcomes are included in your network.

Where can you get this kind of information? Data on the

complications, mortality rates and safety profile of hospitals is free and readily available to consumers on websites such as HospitalCompare.gov and HealthGrades.com. Buyer beware: Pick your provider before you pick your plan.

Every week, Archelle Georgiou, MD, Strategic Advisor at HealthGrades, will explain one facet of the Affordable Care Act.





Live on Broadway





Theatergoers looking for the season's most uplifting, moving and magical experience should surely check out "Big Fish."

For anyone who's followed theater in recent years, Susan Stroman's name has become synonymous with big Broadway entertainment. The fivetime Tony Award winner has brought her gift of imagination to musicals like "The Producers," "The Scottsboro Boys" and "The Music Man." Right now, she is wowing **Broadway audiences yet** again with her most fantastical creation to date, "Big Fish."

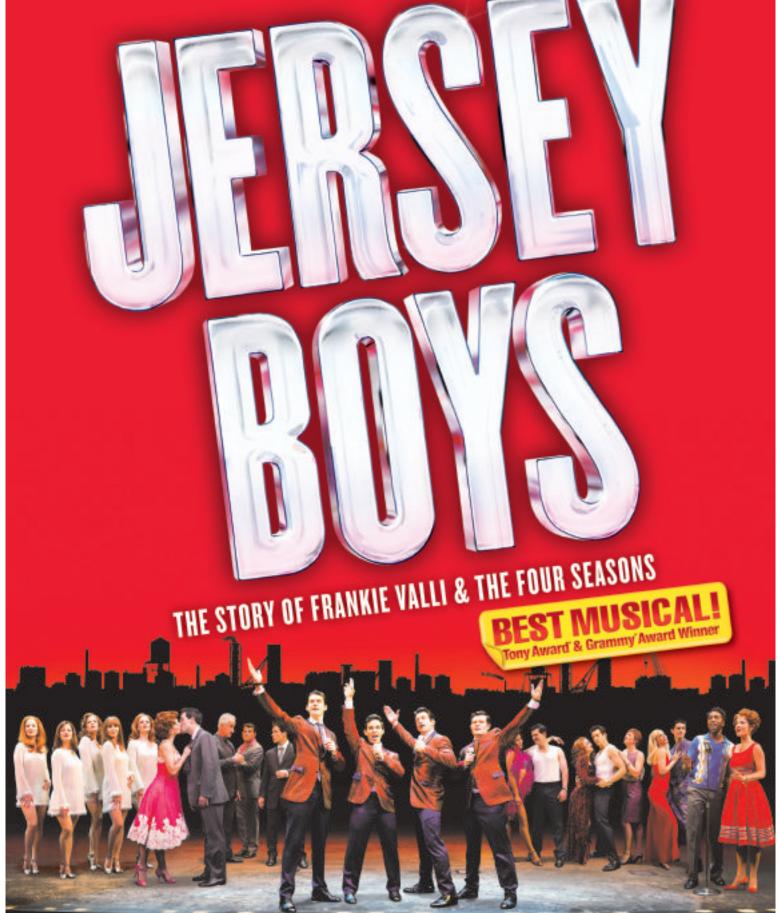
The New York Times calls "Big Fish" "spectacular," and Entertainment Weekly calls it a "big, beautiful, glorious show." Variety says, "Don't dare miss this!"

Based on the beloved Daniel Wallace novel and the acclaimed Tim Burton film, "Big Fish" centers on Edward Bloom, a traveling salesman whose tall tales have a captivating effect on most everyone he meets, except his son who yearns to know the truth. The actor playing Edward needs to pull off a tour-deforce turn, rarely leaving the stage and belting out the show's challenging and memorable melodies. Twotime Tony winner Norbert Leo Butz, who starred in Broadway's "Catch Me If You Can" and "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels," has proven to be the perfect man for the job. The AP says that with Edward Bloom, Butz "proves he is simply in a league of his own.

Theatergoers looking for the season's most uplifting, moving and magical experience should surely check out "Big Fish." It's a story right out of the American heartland, one that celebrates the beautiful complexity of family relationships and thrills audiences at every turn with its surprising ways of bringing one man's imagination to life.











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Orlando Bloom and Condola Rashad turn up the heat as Broadway's rule-breaking, heart-aching couple.

Orlando Bloom ("Pirates of the Caribbean," "The Lord of the Rings") and two-time Tony Award nominee Condola Rashad ("Stick Fly," "The Trip to Bountiful") turn up the heat this fall as Broadway's hottest rule-breaking, heart-aching couple, "Romeo and Juliet."

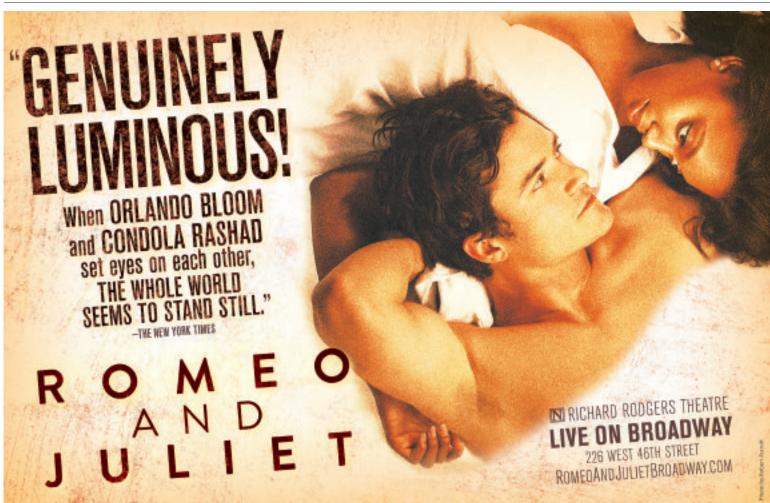
Jealousy. Prejudice. Betrayal. And the chance that true love could actually conquer all. It could only be the greatest love story of all time. And now, for the first time in over 36 years, you can see it live on Broadway in a stunningly modern production from fivetime Tony nominee David Leveaux. The acclaimed cast of 25 includes Tony Award winners Brent Carver ("Kiss of the Spider Woman"), Chuck Cooper ("The Life"), two-time Tony nominee Jayne Houdyshell ("Follies") and Christian Camargo ("All My Sons").

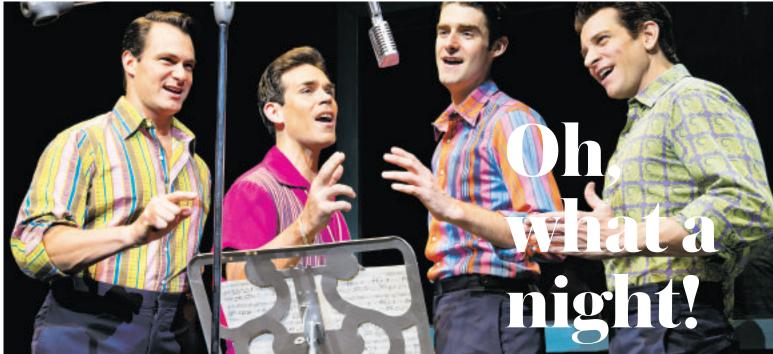
Tweets from @RomeoJulietBway

@eyekatching21: The cast was phenomenal that has an infectious energy that kept myself interested throughout the whole play.

@Caron Craig: I could just sit and listen to Orlando Bloom talk all day..he just has one of THOSE voices!

@AVetterlein Everyone go see @RomeoJuliet Bway, you won't regret it #lovedit





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"Jersey Boys" celebrates eight great years.

How did four blue-collar kids from Newark become one of the greatest success stories in pop music history? Find out at Jersey Boys, the Tony and Grammy Award-winning Best Musical about Frankie Valli and

the Four Seasons.

Go behind the scenes and behind the music in this true-story musical phenomenon, featuring all the drama, all the glory and electrifying performances of the Top 10 hits that took the Jersey Boys to all the way to the Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame, including "Sherry," "Big Girls Don't Cry," "Can't Take My Eyes Off You" and more. One week from today, "Jersey Boys" celebrates eight years at the August Wilson Theatre. The

musical has smashed the theater's box office records 30 times, making it one of the longest-running shows in Broadway history. In addition to New York, this supercharged sensation has also rocked audiences around

the world in London's West End, Australia, South Africa and Singapore, and it just began performances last month in the Netherlands. In the words of one Jersey Boys lyric, that's a story that's "just too good to be true."





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₹ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21. You should take a challenge or unusual situation in stride. Don't make a big deal. If you make a sudden change, you'll gain the advantage.

Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan 20. You'll spark interest in whatever you do. Share your outlook and intentions. A contract will have a positive outcome.

Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb 18. Make a decision based on what you need, not what others want. Be strong and consider your motives.

Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20. Do what you can for others, and you will get favors in return. Financial matters look positive. An unusual connection will blossom into a relationship.

Aries | March 21-April 20. Research what you need to know before a conversation that might affect your reputation. You can win or lose the confidence of others with your comments.

Taurus | April 21-May 21.

Choose what you want to do. Take a position of leadership, but remain a team player.

II Gemini | May 22-June 20.

Step back and consider who is treating you well and who isn't. Cut your losses and weed out the people and projects that are weighing you down instead of picking you up.

Gancer | June 21-July 22. What you share with others will lead to exciting activities, projects and proposals. Pay close attention to what's going on at home.

∩ Leo | July 23-Aug. 22. Refuse to let anyone railroad you into something that you don't want to pursue. Ask questions, but

avoid arguments.

W Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22. Talk is cheap, but sometimes frugality is what's called for. Stay within your budget, but offer some-

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Re: 'Chris Brown's felonious weekend' (Metro, Oct. 28) Hey y'all, when I see the Metro reporting on what a douche Chris Brown is, I feel glad that at least one media outlet is also holding him accountable for his abusive, violent and controlling behaviors. However, if in the same article, I also see the phrase "go all Chris Brown" and blase references to Rhianna's injuries, I remember that we live in a society that makes light of partner abuse. If we make fun, how will our friends and loved ones know we can be trusted with their struggle? Furthermore, how will abusers know they've done wrong? JOANNA GATTUSO, VIA EMAIL

Re: 'Lupita Nyong'o: Get on the good foot' (Metro, Oct. 28) Shouldn't research for the role in a movie on American slavery, as a matter of course, include the history of America itself? Lupita Nyong'o's assertion that "America is made of immigrants. The African-American slaves came from Africa, the white slave owners were Irish and German and English" isn't completely accurate. In fact, African-Americans' position in America is absolutely unique: We are the only people here who DIDN'T immigrate. Also many of us didn't arrive as slaves. And for the actress to make a point of announcing that she is "middle class" was just, well, anything but.

KATHYRN ENGLISH, VIA EMAIL letters@metro.us

Nyong'o has facts wrong

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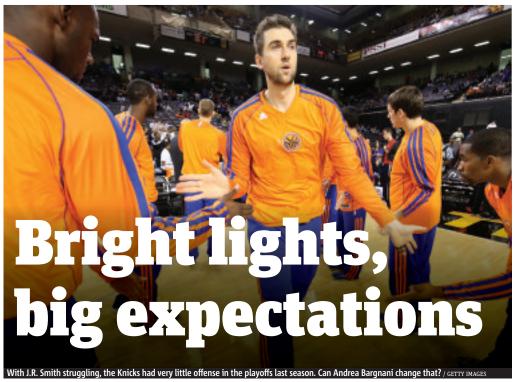
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Knicks season preview. Carmelo Anthony and Andrea Barqnani are working to find a balance.

The Knicks embark on yet another win-now championship run tonight, but before they figure out how to get past the likes of the Heat and Pacers - as well as hold off the restructured Nets - they'll need to figure out how all the new pieces will fit.

Perhaps the biggest mystery is how head coach Mike Woodson can balance an offense that is unquestionably led by Carmelo Anthony, but has now added an intriguing offensive piece in Andrea Bargnani.

As of yesterday's practice, Woodson was still debating whether to keep the big lineup of Anthony at his more natural small forward position, Bargnani at power forward and Tyson Chandler at center or move Anthony back to the power forward spot where he dominated last season in leading the league in scoring. Such a move would force Bargnani to the bench as a sixth man, while sliding Metta World Peace into the small forward spot.

"The eventual goal is everyone's clicking with one another. It's not going to happen overnight," An-

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thony said. "[Bargnani's] not going to adjust to the New York style, New York way of living, New York way of life, overnight. As teammates we're very patient with him. We understand a guy [is] coming to this New York situation and what it actually takes to be here in New York."

staunch public supporter of Bargnani as being the new No. 2 offensive option - something he was

seemingly reluctant in doing for Amar'e Stoudemire following Anthony's acquisition from the Nuggets over two seasons ago.

Bargnani had a disappointing preseason, as he totaled a minus-72 in the increasingly important plus-minus statistic.

The early struggles haven't lowered Antho-

ny's expectations. "We've had just one preseason together," said Anthony.

"He's still getting his feet wet as far as adjusting to New York. On the court with us, he's still trying to adjust to that and we're still trying to adjust to him. He'll be all right."

"Everybody's still learning. I know the main focus [to improve on] is defense and defensive re-bounds," Bargnani said. "That's the main thing coach wants [because] the offense is going to come.'

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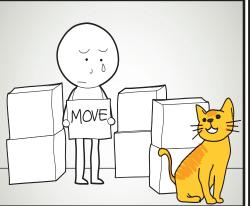
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